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For Hamptons clients who love to entertain, Michelle Gerson selected an expansive sectional in durable Sunbrella fabric and a Gandia Blasco table with Gloster chairs.

Form Meets Function

To maximize that escapist mind-set, pool houses need to be self-supporting, with a kitchenette, bath, and storage—no matter how big or small. “You start to think with the attitude of designing a boat: How can I be clever about building things in and getting the most out of every cubic foot of space?” says architect Eric J. Smith, who suggests using under-counter appliances such as refrigerator, freezer, and warming drawers, or matching the color of the cooktop to the countertop for a chic yet functional interior.

Building in adaptable elements like pocket doors that can transform the outbuilding from a sheltered room to an airy pavilion elevates the structure’s functionality. “The enclosure is really important to these buildings being successful as you’re inside and outside at the same time,” says Mark Ferguson, a founding partner at Ferguson & Shamamian Architects. “You have the breezes, the light, the openness, and the presence of water and plants that you



Franck sectional chaises by VINCENT VAN DUYSSEN for **SUTHERLAND**; sutherlandfurniture.com



MISSONI Salerno rug from **STARK**; starkcarpet.com



Dala lounge chair by STEPHEN BURKS for **DEDON**; dedon.de



Lamp by ANTONINO PISCITELLO from **SUD**; sudneworleans.com



Oco dining table by JORGE ARTURO IBARRA for **LUTECA**; luteca.com

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get by being outside, but you also have a roof, walls, maybe a fireplace—things that you associate with a cozy indoor feeling.”

Infrared heaters and firepits go a long way in bringing that coziness outdoors, so families and friends can enjoy these spaces year-round. Designer Amy Lau’s clients requested their Bridgehampton retreat have all the elements of a high-end hotel in St. Barts or the Côte d’Azur, so she crafted a playful pool bar surmounted by several televisions, then added a modern fire table as a focal point surrounded by loungers.

The need for versatility extends to the furniture plan, where pieces that serve multiple functions, like expansive daybeds that conceal trundles for younger guests or lightweight chairs that can easily move around for movie watching, are preferred. “There’s a lot of millwork involved in these kind of places, whether that’s banquettes that have storage below or built-in bookshelves and cabinets where you put things that aren’t so pretty so they’re mostly concealed,” says West Coast designer Mark D. Sikes.



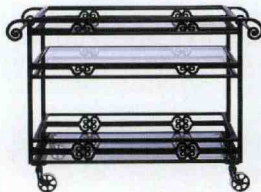
Ferguson & Shamamian Architects and Bunny Williams Interior Design collaborated on this South Florida pool house, where a trellis ceiling complements the verdant garden.



Up for Anything wallpaper by ESKAYEL; eskayel.com



Mirasol pendant by MEG BRAFF for WILDWOOD; wildwoodhome.com



Augustine metal bar cart by THOMAS O'BRIEN for CENTURY; centuryfurniture.com



Encaustic Echoes Bloom porcelain tile by WALKER ZANGER; walkerzanger.com



Corset coffee table by CELERIE KEMBLE for ARTERIORS; arteriorshome.com



Venus Panoramique wallpaper by ÉLITIS; elitis.fr

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